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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director/Plans

THROUGH: Deputy Director/Intelligence

SUBJECT: NIS on International Communism

1. It is requested that the International Communism Branch in DDP/CI assume responsibility for production and maintenance of the National Intelligence Survey on International Communism (NIS 108), which was formerly allocated to INR/State.

2. The present production situation respecting NIS 108 is as follows:

Part I	Introduction	published June 1961
Part II	The World Federation of Democratic Youth	published June 1959
Part III	The World Federation of Teachers Unions	published July 1958
Part IV	The International Union of Students and International Students Relief	in preparation in State - due in OBI December 1961
Part VI	International Organization of Journalists	to be published January 1962
Part X	International Federation of Resistance Workers	published September 1960

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3. The requirement for International Communism is set forth in the NIS Standard Instructions and stems from the "USIA Intelligence Survey" dated 8 July 1954. Subsequently, the Director of Central Intelligence approved the following recommendations set forth in memorandum of 5 August 1955, subject "Organizational Proposal for the Production of Intelligence on International Communism" from Mr. Bissell, concurred in by the Deputy Directors and the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence:

- a. Expansion of the NIS production by the Department of State on NIS type material on international communism.
- b. Enlargement of the International Communism Branch in DD/P/CI for operational intelligence support in this field, and
- c. Establishment of a small research and planning unit (to be administratively under the DD/I) for continuing speculative study of and the means of countering communism.

4. On 1 July 1961 NIS functions in State were reallocated as production and maintenance responsibilities to CIA with the assistance of certain non-USIB Government departments, except for the NIS on International Communism (NIS 108) for which no provision was made. It would appear that the International Communism Branch in DD/P/CI is the only remaining staff in the community with specialized capabilities for doing this work.

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